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THANK YOU TO KINGSLEY GREENHAM

FOR KEEPING THE GRASS CUT AT 1019 ELM RD. Appreciated.

Gas Rationing —-

Dear Carol: Thanks for the recent newsletter with the WWII ration books etc. I think you might be interested in this picture, taken in 1943, North Toronto.
I was working there on Saturdays, at 15 yrs old. Gas rationing was on. The station owner was the father of Rev. Earl Gerber. Rev. Gerber was a temporary vicar at St. John's Church, Irondale when Rev. Riscilla was on maternity leave.
The 3 cars, left to right— a customer's 1937 Chev, Mr. Gerber's 1938 Olds and the Mechanic's 1934 Dodge. A notation under the picture read *"Recycling is not a recent invention. Here is the 'blue box' of World War II with its legend: "Don't! through it away. Throw it at Hitler."* The picture shows Howard Gerber's Red Indian service station at Yonge and Cranbrooke about 1943.

Gord says "Recycling is nothing new. We saved bacon fat and any kind of metal. At the time, my Dad had a number of airplane parts from his days as a mechanic at Canadian Airplanes Ltd. where he worked on Curtis JN4C Canuck training biplanes. They (the plane parts) were mostly aluminium and bronze, so they went into the bin with the other scrap metals. I remember playing with a joystick and rudder bar in our cellar as a little boy. I wish I had them today, they would be valuable to anyone restoring a JN4!

Thanks to Gordon Smith, Salerno Lk seasonal resident. Gordon submitted the picture and story. He tells me they appear in the book titled "North Toronto" by Don Ritchie published by Boston Mills Press.

WHAT DO THESE THREE ITEMS HAVE IN COMMON?

Comment received after our last newsletter ….

"I enjoyed the write-up about rationing which I remember. It didn't seem to be a hardship for my family as my parents had ways of stretching things and "making do". I asked my Mom if I didn't eat sugar on my cereal could I make some home-made fudge once in a while and she agreed – recipe from her Five Roses (flour) cookbook. I still don't eat sugar on cold cereal. I was told by a neighbour who was about my age, that during wartime, my Dad used to cut up old tires and line the tires on his car because inner tubes weren't available. " Thanks Elva Bates for your memories.

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Whiskey & Wickedness Vol 3 of the Trent Severn Waterways series was launched on Apr 7 at the Haliburton Museum. Larry Cotton had the crowd spellbound as he recounted the stories his research has uncovered. Volume 3 covers Haliburton County. You can purchase this volume locally at Master's Book Store and Up River Trading Co. in Haliburton.

Very interesting reading
you won't want to miss.

Contact Carol to get your copy. $25

Thank You to Sue Tiffin of Haliburton Echo for the photos. Thank You to the Haliburton Museum staff for the space. Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Larry Cotton for the fabulous stories.

Requesting - - Yard Sale Donations

Spring Cleaning? Downsizing?
We were offered sizable lot of items and looking to add to it. Items to Donate?
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Local Artist Answers YWCA's Call to Help Fundraise for Safe Space

Seeking new funding opportunities to support the Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace (HERS) prompted the local committee to come up with a new campaign. They called on local artists and members of the business community to contribute to its 2019 HERS calendar. Completely local - every single dollar raised stays in Haliburton County.

Jacqueline Proud answered the call for local artists. She submitted her Irondale Church painting and will indeed be in the calendar.

Calendar will be for sale in June for $40. Purchase a calendar and be entered into a monthly draw, a chance to win a prize valued over $100 .

Watch local newspapers for more information on where to purchase.

Jacqueline also has a piece of artwork in the 'Brush in Hand' exhibition. This exhibit is at the Finn Artists' Center, 19 Newcastle St., in Minden from April 28 to May 27. You still have a few days to catch this fabulous show.

Condolences to the families of

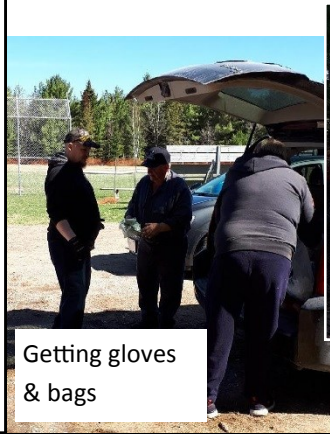
Norman 'Norm' Carr
March 23, 2018

Victor William 'Bob' Swinson
April 5, 2018

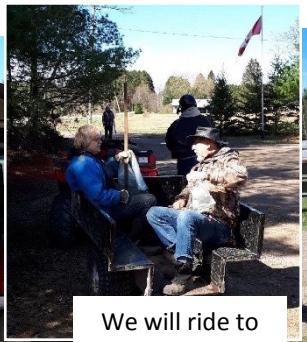
Those we love, don't go away,
they walk beside us every day,
unseen, unheard, but always near,
still loved, still missed and very dear.

EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP

Thank you to the dozen or so residents that came out to help with the ditch clean up. You had fabulous weather!
Congratulations to the residents of Irondale for keeping the amount of litter found to a few small bags.
Thanks Brenda for providing the great lasagna lunch and homemade pie!



Getting gloves & bags



We will ride to the far end and walk back

Not much in those bags

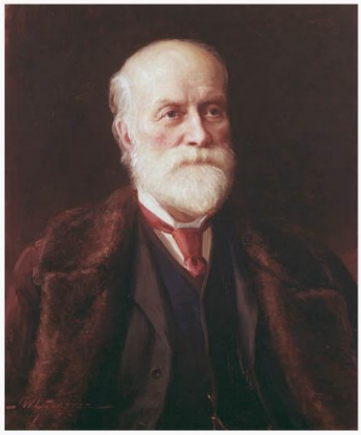


Image 1 of 14 - Sir Sandford Fleming.
Source: Library and Archives Canada/MIKAN 2895065

Few Canadians have had such a profound impact in as many areas of public life as **Sir Sandford Fleming** (1827-1915).

Sandford Fleming was born 7 Jan 1827 in Kirkcaldy, Scotland to Andrew and Elizabeth (Arnot) Fleming. He married Ann Jane Hall on 3 Jan 1855 in Peterborough, ON. This couple had five sons and four daughters. Sandford died 22 July 1915 in Halifax, NS. He is buried in Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa, ON.

Sandford Fleming and his brothers received their education in Kennoway and Kirkcaldy. At 14, Sandford became a pupil of Scottish engineer and surveyor John Sang.

In 1845, Sandford, his brother David and a cousin Henry Fleming immigrated to Upper Canada (Ontario) settling in the Peterborough area. He worked for surveyor Richard Birdsall and later John Stoughton Dennis in order to be recertified under Canadian law.

While waiting for his recertification to be completed, earned income by preparing maps of Peterborough, Hamilton, Cobourg and Toronto.

Fleming is widely considered the father of standard time, but he has many other accomplishments to be proud of
- in 1848, at the age of 21, he designed and patented what is likely Canada's first in-line skate.
- designed the "three-penny beaver" in 1851, Canada's first postage stamp. He chose the beaver as the central image and helped to popularize the industrious animal as a distinctively Canadian emblem. Canada's postmaster general had wanted Queen Victoria to appear on the first Canadian stamp.

The creation of a transcontinental railway in Canada suddenly required standardized times for train arrival and departure times. Fleming chose a global approach to solve the problem by developing a 24-hour international clock based on the world globe meridian of Greenwich, England. Standard time was adopted internationally in 1884.

Sandford Fleming received a knighthood in 1897—being forever known as Sir Sandford Fleming.

Now you know what the three items pictured on Page 1 of this newsletter had in common.

Further information can be gleaned from www.macleans.ca/society/8-remarkable-achievements-of-sir-sandford-fleming and www.biographi.ca/en/bio/fleming_sandford_14E.html as well as others. Google Sir Sandford Fleming to satisfy your curiousity.

A recent article in Kayak: Canada's History Magazine for Kids the same people that bring adults "Canada's History" Magazine (earlier known as The Beaver Magazine) prompted your editor to look into the man that lends his name to our local college.

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B.L.C.D. Adopts New Policy

It has been in our plans for a while, now it is official. At the May meeting, the BLCD board officially passed a Reduce Reuse Recycle policy.

We, the Bark Lake Cultural Developments board will strive to reduce the use of Styrofoam, Plastic Bottles, Straws and other excessive packaging, choosing eco-friendly biodegradable alternative products instead - doing our part to reduce pollution and helping to conserve the landfills.

This policy will take effect as present stock is depleted.

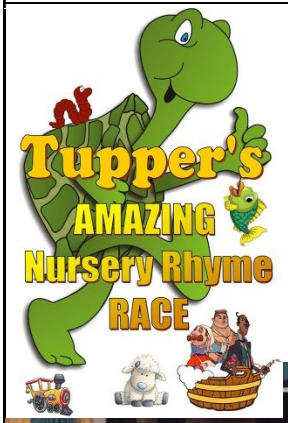
Read this the other day, and it struck a cord with me …

You might think you don't matter in this world, but because of you ...
- someone has a favourite mug to drink their tea out of each morning that you bought them.
- someone hears a song on the radio and it reminds them of you.
- someone has read a book you recommended to them and gotten lost in it's pages.
- someone's remembered a joke you told them and smiled to themselves on the bus.
- someone's tried on a top and felt beautiful because you complimented them on it.
- someone has a memory that makes them grin that involves you.
- someone now likes themselves that little bit more because you made a passing comment that made them feel good.

Never think you don't have an impact, your fingerprints can't be wiped away from the little marks of kindness that you've left behind.

A **Winter Storm Warning** was issued with severe and dangerous winter weather conditions including: major snowfall (25 cm + within a 24 hour period); with other cold weather precipitation types such as: freezing rain , strong winds, blowing snow and/or

First Time Ever - We have never cancelled before.
Boy - lots to think about when you do.
How to get the word out, who to contact,
what do we do with all the food !!!
If you had tickets purchased online and I haven't touched base with you yet … remind me please.



I had the **very good fortune** to be able to volunteer my time at this highly successful event in Wilberforce on Saturday, May 12.

Contestants had various puzzles to solve before they earned their next clue and moved on. Organizers Mary Barker and Joanne Vanier were quoted "*a gruelling race at a snail's pace.*"

Racing to get their first instructions

Stop laughing.. where are the Nuts!!

Not an elimination round. You are safe.

Working on a puzzle.

It comes out here?

We ate the sausage, give us the next clue.

Tupper T Turtle awards the Winners.

Waste Reduction Week
Oct. 15 – 21, 2018

Waste Reduction Week is a program, focused solely on the principles of circular economy, resource efficiency, and waste reduction. The program's primary purpose is to celebrate our environmental efforts and achievements, while encouraging new ideas and solutions.

Each day during Waste Reduction Week has it's own theme. Participants can support areas that are most important to them or learn about a new issue.

More info: wrwcanada.com/en/2018-theme-days

Lets all do our part ..

⇒ Always remember to PRECYCLE, reduce waste at the waste source and choose environmentally friendly products.
⇒ Request aluminum foil instead of a take out box from your favorite restaurant.
⇒ Buy your eggs packaged in recycled paper cartons or recyclable material.
⇒ Use compostable paper or reusable dinnerware.

Locally -
Kurt & Linda are recycling at their home. They invite you to drop off your empty egg cartons at their place - 7057 County Road 503 (just east of Furnace Falls). While there - purchase more eggs!

Remember Slow Food?

Someone asked the other day, 'What was your favorite fast food when you were growing up?' 'We didn't have fast food when I was growing up', I informed him. 'All the food was slow.' 'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?' 'It was a place called 'at Home', I explained. 'Mom cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.' By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table. But here are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I figured his system could have handled it.

Some parents NEVER owned their own house, never wore Levis, never set foot on a golf course, never traveled out of the country or had a credit card. In their later years they had something called a revolving charge card. The card was good only at Sears Roebuck. Or maybe it was Sears & Roebuck. Either way, there is no Roebuck anymore.

- My parents never drove me to soccer practice, mostly because we never had heard of soccer.
- I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed...slow.
- We didn't have a television in our house until I was 11. It was, of course, black and white, and the station went off the air at midnight, after playing the national anthem and a poem about God. It came back on the air at about 6 a.m. And there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people.
- I was 19 before I tasted my first pizza, it was called 'pizza pie.' When I bit into it, I burned the roof of my mouth and the cheese slid off, swung down, plastered itself against my chin and burned that, too. It's still the best pizza I ever had.
- I never had a telephone in my room. The only phone in the house was in the living room and it was on a party line. Before you could dial, you had to listen and make sure some people you didn't know weren't already using the line.
- Pizzas were not delivered to our home. But milk was.
- All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers, my brother delivered a newspaper, six days a week. It cost 7 cents a paper, of which he got to keep 2 cents. He had to get up at 6 AM every morning. On Saturday, he had to collect the 42 cents from his customers. His favorite customers were the ones who gave him 50 cents and told him to keep the change. His least favorite customers were the ones who seemed to never be home on collection day.
- Movie stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the movies. There were no movie ratings because all movies were responsibly produced for everyone to enjoy viewing, without profanity or violence or most anything offensive.

If you grew up in a generation before there was fast food, you may want to share some of these memories with your children or grand-children. Just don't blame me if they bust a gut laughing. Growing up isn't what it used to be, is it?

Editor's Note—This was circulated to me in an email. I do not know the author. I thought it was a great memory jogger. Reminisce with your family and enjoy the memories it provokes.

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~ Irondale Calendar of Events ~

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2018	**Unless otherwise noted -** **Tickets available online at www.IrondaleOntario.ca or call/text 705-457-8438**
Sun. June 3	**Grand Opening of the Book Nook** Join us 11:30 – 1 for exciting news. Coffee & goodies served. All happening at Irondale's Heritage Church Building.
June 29 & 30	**B.L.C.D. Yard Sale** - 7057 Hwy 503, proceeds to further our work on the heritage site. Donations welcome. Email historical@IrondaleOntario.ca for drop off location.
Sat. July 14	**Concert On The Lake & Dock Sale —** Fabulous music from the comfort of your own boat, canoe, paddleboard, etc. Great yard sale deals on the docks Check *www.sdlca.ca* for more details.
Sat. July 21	**Wild Game Dinner Event** The ever popular dinner is held at the Galway Community Centre. Doors open at 5pm. Buffet served at 6pm. All game served as bite size pieces, so you can sample it all. Remember your loonies for the after dinner excitement. $20 per person
Sat & Sun July 28 & 29	**Irondale's Ball Tournament** Teams vie for the coveted trophy and prizes. Great fun for the whole family. Registration info - centre@IrondaleOntario.ca, Chris James 705-447-2733
Sat Aug 4 **Sun Aug 5**	**Salerno Devil's Lake Cottage Association AGM** , 10 am at the Irondale Community Centre. **SDLCA Canoe Race, BBQ and Children's Games** Check *www.sdlca.ca* for more details.
Sat & Sun Aug 11 & 12 Aug 18 & 19	**Highlands East Studio Tour - Irondale Inspirations** Two full weekends 10 am to 5 pm Visit Irondale's Historic Church to see the displayed work of our talented local artists. The items will be for sale. Artists will be on hand to answer questions and you may actually catch one or more of them creating. Refreshments available.
Sat. Aug 18	**Irondale Community Centre Dinner** **NEW DATE** Doors open 5pm Gooderham Community Centre Dinner served at 6pm, followed by the popular Loonie Auction. Tickets $20 each Call Barry Simmons at 705-447-2380 for tickets and more information
Sat. Sept 22	**Family Harvest Festival** 11am to 4pm Vendors, BBQ, Prizes, Games, Displays, Tours - all on the Irondale Church property. Free Admission
Sat. Nov 10	**A Dinner to Remember** Meal served 5pm at the Irondale Community Centre $20 pp. Menu will be using recipes from the WWI and WWII era.

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